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POWER WASTED DUE TO INEFFICIENT ELECTRIC EQUIPMENTS
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large quantum of power goes waste due to inefficient electronic equipment and appliances;

(b) if so, whether the Government have formulated any legal framework for establishing an apex level central body for laying down standard and norms of energy consumption for equipment and appliances and energy labeling;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the total expenditure incurred by the Government during the last one year in promoting awareness in respect of energy conservation and development and improved technologies?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) to (d) : A large quantum of power is lost due to use of energy inefficient and sub- standard equipment/appliances. The Government has introduced the Energy Conservation Bill, 2000 in the Lok Sabha to prove a legal framework for promotingenergy efficiency and conservation. The legislation provides for the establishment of the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) by merger of existing Energy Management Centre (EMC). The legislation will enable the Government to :

(i) specify norms for process and energy consumption standards for any equipment, appliance which consumes, generates, transmits or supplies energy;

(ii) prohibit manufacture or sale or purchase of specified equipment or appliance unless such equipment, or appliance conforms to energy consumption standards; and

(iii) direct display of such particulars on label on equipment or on appliance specified.

A participatory approach is proposed to be followed while fixing standards and norms for energy consumption.

The Government incurred Rs.2.75 crore on Energy Conservation programme during 1999-2000.